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### Weather Timeline

- The storm begins with a blast of icy rain.
- Northwest follows schools across the country and cancels classes.
- The storm rages from Okla. to Maine, covering 1/3 of the country.
- Gov. Jay Nixon declares a state of emergency for Mo.
- Northwest closes campus for a second day in a row
- I-70 closes from KC to St. Louis; I-44 closed from Springfield to Oklahoma.
- For the first time Northwest canceled classes for 3 consecutive days
- The sun emerges from behind a veil of cloud coverage as residents begin to dig out from the storm.

(LEFT) HY-VEE EMPLOYEE KENT Marolo helps ring up customers who stock up on groceries for the upcoming winter storm on Monday. (MIDDLE) KELLY SCHMITZ SCRAPES the snow from his drive way during the snow storm Tuesday. (RIGHT) JORDAN DAVID AND Chris Kerwin play snow football outside of Perrin on Wednesday.

# STATE OF EMERGENCY

## As students sleep in, winter storm rages on

By Trey Williams  
News Editor

Monday, Governor Jay Nixon held a press conference during which he gave updates from the National Weather Service briefing earlier that day and declared Missouri in a state of emergency.

According to Nixon and the National Weather Service, areas of Missouri were expected to receive 12 to 20 inches of snow, a half an inch of ice, winds anywhere from 20 to 30 mph and "temperatures in the single digits for a number of days in a row," Nixon said.

"This is a very serious storm," Nixon

sternly reiterated. "We are anticipating a storm that will have a significant impact on our state for a number of days."

Along with declaring a state of emergency, Nixon signed Executive Order 11-04, activating the Missouri National Guard. Under his orders, Citizen-Soldiers from the Guard were deployed to support local emergency agencies.

"Most of Missouri is expected to be affected by this severe winter storm, which is predicted to cause treacherous road conditions and possibly widespread power outages," Nixon said. "My chief concern is the safety of Missourians, and these orders make state agency resources and the

Citizen-Soldiers of the Missouri National Guard available to help communities."

While the rest of Missouri began to scurry in preparation for the storm, Maryville sat in its upper northwest corner, its college students praying for just one rare snow day off. They got three, the first time in history Northwest has recorded three straight snow days for one storm.

According to Chris Redden, hardscape grounds supervisor, the fact that snow was swirling about the campus complicated the clearing and led to the five-day weekend.

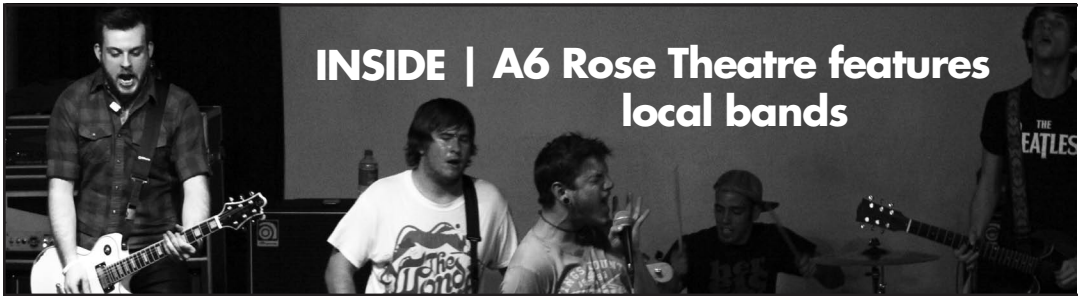
"The blowing snow is what's the most

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### What to do during a severe storm

1. Listen to radio, television, or Weather Radio for weather reports and emergency information.
2. Wear several layers of loose fitting, light-weight, warm clothing rather than one layer of heavy clothing.
3. If a blizzard traps you in the car: Pull off the highway, turn on hazard lights and hang a distress flag from the radio antenna or window.
4. If you do not have heat in your residence, temporarily close off some rooms and remain in one area of the residence.

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HATE WALL



LORI FRANKENFIELD | CHIEF VISUAL JOURNALIST

JUNIOR SANCHEZ STUBBS takes a swing at the Hate Wall on Thursday outside the J.W. Jones Student Union. Residence Hall Association sponsored the Hate Wall. All week, the wall was set up in the Union for students to write words and phrases they find insulting. RHA also sponsored guest lectures and presentations.

Debate team to host tournament

By Trey Williams  
News Editor

The Northwest Forensics Team will host its 2nd annual Bearcat Classic Speech and Debate Tournament this weekend, Feb. 4 and 5.

The tournament will bring high school teams from around both the Kansas City and Maryville area to the University to compete in 13 different events.

Dave Nelson, director of forensics for Northwest, said hosting a tournament was something the entire team wanted to do but they did not want to host a college tournament.

“We want to give them an experience not offered in high school,” Nelson said. “And we also want to showcase the

University and campus and what we have to offer.”

According to Nelson, the tournament has also served as a recruitment tool. The team has already seen two current members join due to last year’s competition.

Nelson said that he has received accolades from high school coaches who attended last year and they are coming back because the tournament was well run. And he has the whole 13-member team to thank for that.

“It’s a combination of everyone on the team (who runs the tournament),” Nelson said. “It’s a whole team effort.”

Nelson and the team receive help from faculty and welcome anyone who wants to volunteer.

Nelson, who competed in speech and debate when he was in high school, said that forensics offers an essence of good speaking skills, knowing how to research, networking and building life-long friendships.

“It takes people who have that competitive nature, patience and hard work,” Nelson said. “You have to be committed to the craft, bottom line.”

The tournament will begin at 3 p.m. Friday and will continue on Saturday.

The events offered include Extemporaneous Speaking, Original Oratory, Prose Reading, Humorous Interpretation, Parliamentary Debate, Duo Interpretation, Poetry Reading, Dramatic Interpretation, Impromptu Speaking and Story Telling.

S.T.A.T.S shows support

Organization celebrates Black History Month

By Brittany Keithley  
Editor-in-Chief

Tuesday marked the beginning of a celebration - a celebration of men and women who overcame centuries of hardship. The hardships they faced were not warranted nor earned, but in the face of these obstacles, their accomplishments were magnified.

Through the abolishment of slavery, the fight for civil rights and on to the first black president, the landmarks they established were monumental.

Black History Month not only recognizes these struggles and accomplishments but also recognizes their role in American and world history.

Senior Jason Williams, Students Taking Action Through Service president,

works to ensure the roles they play are not misconstrued or misinterpreted.

Williams takes the celebration as an opportunity to teach and inform people about the contribution of African-American culture.

“It’s a chance for us to educate the entire campus about black history,” Williams said. “I do think there are misinterpretations and stereotypes as African-American culture are concerned. It’s a great opportunity to dismiss some of those notions and those stereotypes.”

As S.T.A.T.S. president, Williams helps organize several events throughout February to commemorate the cause.

“Starting with the founding of the organization in 2007, since we were an organization in the IIC we wanted to make a significant contribution to Black History Month by celebrating the entire month,” Williams said.

The group organized a

Black History Celebration Dinner which grew every year to climax the month.

This year, Feb. 27, the 4th Annual Black History Celebration Dinner will recognize a member of the Northwest Community with the African-American Achievement Award.

The award is given for dedication and service to the African-American Community. The theme for the dinner is “Not Another Love Story,” dismissing stereotypes about African-American love and families.

On top of the annual celebration, S.T.A.T.S. will host a hip-hop version of the game “Don’t forget the lyrics” in the Union living room each week starting Friday.

“Because hip hop is a major factor in African-American culture and due to negative stereotypes associated with hip-hop,” Williams said. “We want to shed some light on hip-hop in a fun and interactive way.”

Students, alumni gather for Super Bowl

By Amanda Schulte-Smith  
Features Editor

Super Bowl XLV will rock Maryville with parties and treats galore for students and alumni alike.

The Baptist Student Union will host a Super Bowl party packed with games,

food and a big screen.

“The Super Bowl will be shown on a projector so it will be big enough for everyone to see,” BSU member Jennifer McCoy said.

The BSU will provide snacks for fans and a Fantasy Football game for willing participants looking to win some

prizes during the game.

“Each person will get the name of a player and they will receive points every time that person does something good during the game. Even girls would like it because you don’t have to know the game

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Weekend Events

Friday February 4

1:00 p.m. -5:00 p.m.

Art Exhibit- Juried Student Show

The Juried Student Show will be displayed in the Olive DeLuce Gallery Jan. 24 through Feb. 11.

5:00 p.m.

Kansas City Alumni & Friends Chapter Happy Hour at Landing Eatery and Pub 1189 W. Kansas St.

6:00 p.m.

St. Joseph Alumni & Friends Chapter Mardi Gras Party at Boudreaux’s

7:00 p.m.

Zeta Phi Beta Bi-Annual Gentlemen’s Ball  
J.W. Jones Student Union, Ballroom, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor

Saturday February 5

ALL DAY

Show Choir Festival

10:00 a.m. -1:30 p.m.

National Girls and Women in Sports Day

All-sports clinic at the Student Rec with Northwest female student-athletes.

1:00 p.m. -5:00 p.m.

Art Exhibit- Juried Student Show

The Juried Student Show will be displayed in the Olive DeLuce Gallery Jan. 24 through Feb. 11.

1:30 p.m.

Women’s basketball vs. Pittsburg State in Bearcat Arena

3:30 p.m.

Men’s basketball vs. Pittsburg State in Bearcat Arena

Sunday February 6

1:30 p.m. -5:00 p.m.

Art Exhibit- Juried Student Show

The Juried Student Show will be displayed in the Olive DeLuce Gallery Jan. 24 through Feb. 11.

Super Bowl Sunday

2:00 p.m.

Franz Liszt Bicentennial Festival : Rosario Andino  
Olive DeLuce Fine Arts Building, Charles Johnson Theater

4:30 p.m.

Maryville Alumni and Friends Super Bowl Party  
Maryville Country Club

5:00 p.m.

Franz Liszt Bicentennial Festival: Lecture  
Olive DeLuce Fine Arts Building, Room 244

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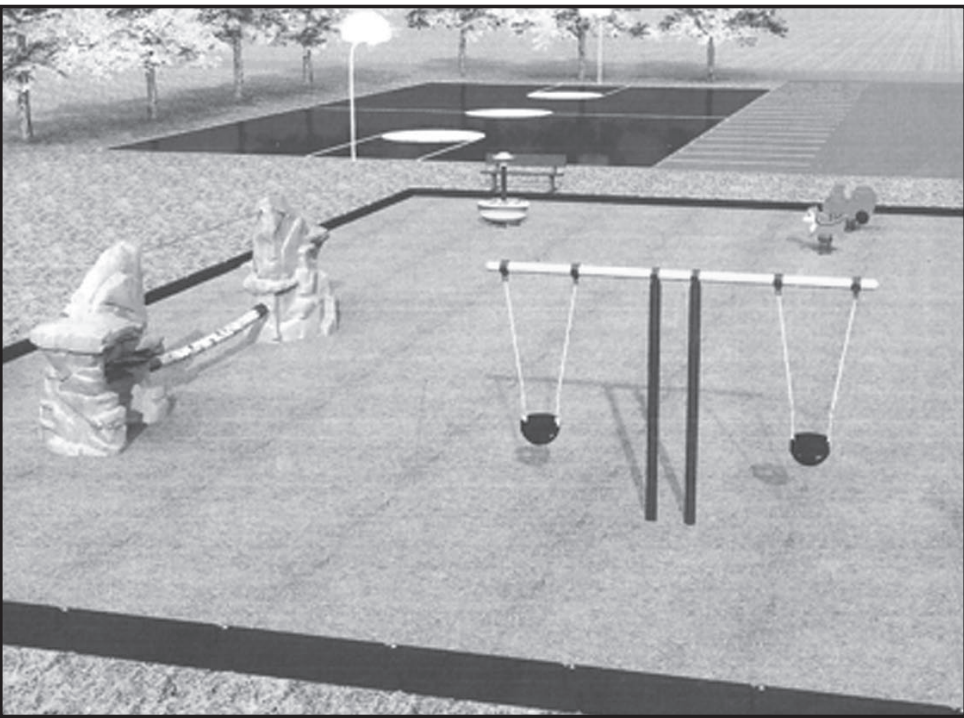
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ROD AUXIER | MARYVILLE PARKS AND RECREATION  
THE MODEL REPRESENTS the renovations Maryville Parks and Recreation hopes to make to the old Water Tower Park. With the recent removal of the water tower more room was opened up for equipment.

New park now under way

Renovations are in the works for old Water Tower Park

By Ben Lawson  
Missourian Reporter

A recent change to a local park has left the public space nameless but with room to expand. In October, the water tower in the public park on Ninth and Mulberry Street, known as Water Tower Park, was removed. The removal of the water tower left the park with more room for new equipment. The planned changes include the addition of two infant swings, climbing boulders with a rope bridge and new basketball hoops as well as a resurfaced basket-

ball court. The surface of the playground will be covered in shredded recycled tires. These improvements will cost \$108,000 in tax payer money. The playground does not feature time-honored playground equipment like merry-go-rounds and monkey bars. "More kids today are interested in climbing and exploring than in traditional slides and other equipment," Rod Auxier, Maryville Parks and Recreation director, said. Auxier says the climbing boulders and rope-bridge are included to satisfy those interests. The water tower was removed from the park last fall because two new and more efficient water towers

are under construction in Maryville. Since the park is left without a name, the Parks and Recreation department is turning to the community for suggestions. Next week, students at Eugene Field Elementary School and Maryville Middle School will participate in a contest to come up with a name for the park. "We hope this will make kids feel more involved in the community and generate interest in the park," Auxier said. Improvement on the park will begin as soon as all the equipment has arrived and the weather improves. Auxier says Maryville residents can expect to wait at least another six weeks before construction begins.

Family gives back to St. Jude

By Leslie Nelson  
Asst. News Editor

For most, the Super Bowl means food, friends and football. For the family of Rod Barr, professor of agriculture education, this year's Super Bowl means giving back to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, the organization that once changed their lives. Through "Game Day.

Give Back," the Barr family set up a virtual Super Bowl watch party online to raise donations for the hospital. People from all over the country are participating in this year's Super Bowl charity project. Participants can either host a watch party at their own homes or create a virtual watch party online, like the Barr family chose to do. According to Spencer

Barr, the website explains the cause, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital's mission and how their family became involved. Five years ago, Barr's son Spencer was diagnosed with biphenotypic leukemia, a rare form of leukemia. In less than a day after being diagnosed, Spencer and

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Local blood center runs low on supply

By Leslie Nelson  
Asst. News Editor

Northwest Missouri Community Blood Center's blood supply has sunk to extremely low levels. The seven area Neighborhood Donation Centers lack sufficient donations due to the harsh winter weather. After the first major snowstorm in early January, 75 percent of the mobile drives were canceled. Collections during those days decreased by 65 percent. The Community Blood Center must collect at least 580 units of blood per day to adequately supply 70 area hospitals in Missouri and Kansas. The Business Women of Missouri will sponsor a blood drive from noon to 6 p.m. Feb. 8 at the United Methodist Church in Maryville.

How your donation helps others

amount of blood needed for common procedures

Automobile Accident  
50 units of blood

Heart Surgery  
6 units of blood  
6 units of platelets

Organ Transplant  
40 units of blood  
30 units of platelets  
20 bags of cryoprecipitate  
25 units of fresh frozen plasma

Bone Marrow Transplant  
120 units of platelets  
20 units of blood

Burn  
20 units of platelets

MARYVILLE PUBLIC SAFETY

The Maryville Department of Public Safety provided incidents reported in this log. All subjects are innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.  
Jan. 23  
There is an ongoing investigation for tampering at 100 block North Market.

Jan. 25  
Brett W. Ware, 42, Maryville, was issued a summons for barking dogs at 1300 block North Dewey.  
Jan. 26  
There is an ongoing investigation for larceny at 1500 block South Munn.

Timothy J. Rogers II, 28, Maryville, was issued a summons for driving while revoked at 800 block South Market.  
Ting Jiang, 22, Maryville, was issued a summons for driving without a valid drivers license, failure to maintain financial responsibility and improper registration at 1200 block South Main.

William R. Dymond, 53, Burlington Junction, was issued a summons for disorderly conduct at 1000 block East 1st Street.

Structure fire reported at 27000 block 242nd Street.  
Jan. 27  
Patricia L. Warren, 61, Clarinda, Iowa, was issued a summons for failure to obey school bus stop sign.

Kyle K. Wallace, 22, Maryville, was issued a summons for indecent exposure at 500 block North Buchanan.  
Jan. 28  
Wesley W. Rockwood, 19, Maryville, was issued a summons for stealing at 800 University Drive.

Jan. 29  
Savonte L. Brown, 19, Maryville, was issued a summons for disorderly conduct, failure to comply, MIP, open container of alcohol in a moving vehicle.  
Jan. 30  
Adam L. Mattson, 20, Maryville, was issued a summons for driving while intoxicated, careless and imprudent driving and minor in possession at 500 block West 2nd Street.

Ongoing investigation of property damage at 700 block North Mulberry.  
Ongoing investigation of larceny at 1100 block East 1st Street.

Ongoing investigation of property damage at 200 block West 1st Street.  
Jan. 31  
Ongoing investigation of property damage at 500 block North Fillmore.

ACCIDENTS

Jan. 22  
1600 block South Main;  
Drivers- Nancy J. Mason, 68, Maryville; Katherine C. Litten, 86, Ravenwood.  
Jan. 24  
3100 block East 1st Street, Driver- Brittany N. O'Hara, Maryville.  
Jan. 25  
500 block West 4th Street,  
Driver- Shay L. Esbeck, 20, Maryville;  
Vehicle owner- Delbert Weiners, Lebanon, MO.  
Jan. 26  
Route V and Chamee Drive;  
Driver- Jamie M. Hassenkamp, 16, Maryville; Miraya L. Barmann, 26, Maryville.  
600 block East 7th Street;  
Driver- Nicholas W. Merrigan, Maryville.

900 block North Country Club Road;  
Vehicle owner- William T. Schott, 19, Maryville.  
Jan. 27  
East Edwards and South Charles;  
Marsha S. Schmitz, 26, Maryville, was issued a citation for imprudent operation.  
Vehicle owner- Ashley P. Eberhart, Maryville.


West South Avenue and South Walnut;  
Drivers- Abby L. Kreps, 25, Hopkins, Mo. was issued a citation for failure to yield; Casey J. Lemons, 18, Maryville.  
Jan. 28  
800 University Drive  
Drivers- Joseph D. Scott, 22, Maryville; Raymond L. Ottman, 39, Maryville.

100 block South Main  
Drivers- Matthew J. Parker, 32, Hopkins, Mo.; Jonathan A. Salvage, 21, Jefferson City, Mo.  
200 Block North Ray Avenue  
Vehicle owner- Gregory J. Vondrak, Sioux City, Iowa.

Worship in Maryville

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A CITY OF Maryville snow plow cleans off Main Street Tuesday. As Missouri weather picked up, Gov. Nixon sent out the National Guard to assist in clean up and help civilians.

SETH COOK | CHIEF VISUAL JOURNALIST

OUR VIEW

## Finding FEMA

When Republican Governor Jay Nixon called for a state of emergency 9:00 a.m. Tuesday, people probably wondered how that would be implemented. For example, how would resources be distributed to the three other states, Oklahoma, Kansas and Illinois, who are in similar states of emergency? Better yet, who would come to our rescue?

Missourians were relieved to hear that 600 Missouri National Guard members were sent to major cities across the state, primarily assisting stranded motorists. The American Red Cross established 10 sudden shelters in the northwest region of Missouri, according to the St. Joseph News Press.

However, the one entity that should have been a stronger force remained relatively absent: the

Federal Emergency Management Agency. They prepared units for immediate distribution of food, water, blankets and other necessities prior to the storm. After local snow removal teams battled the elements, they can apply for up to a 75 percent reimbursement of their costs from FEMA, including salt and worker wages. During the storm, however, their resources and manpower remained dormant in their regional headquarters in Kansas City, Mo.

Perhaps President Barack Obama feared a Katrina 2.0 fiasco, and opted to let the National Guard and other response teams take care of stranded citizens. Regardless, this is a record-breaking winter storm on a national scale. If this was not enough to elicit use of FEMA, what else are they waiting for?

## Obama, about that birth certificate?

The notion that our present commander-in-chief is ineligible to hold office was once dismissed as a right-wing conspiracy theory aimed to expel President Barack Obama from his position. Today, the claim has gained validity and an upcoming Senate bill could make Obama's life much more unpleasant.

The proposal merely strengthens the presidential restrictions outlined in article



Philip Gruenwald  
Opinion Editor

2, section 1 of the Constitution: "No Person except a naturalborn Citizen, or a Citizen of the United States, at the time of the Adoption of this

Constitution, shall be eligible to the Office of President." The original intent of the framers supposedly reveals that a citizen was classified as someone who was born in the U.S. from two citizen parents. Yet Obama openly acknowledges that his father was a Kenyan native. Key text in the upcoming bill proposal reads, "The national political party committee shall submit an affidavit of the presidential candidate in which the presidential candidate states the candidate's citizenship and age and shall append to the affidavit documents that prove that the candidate is a natural born citizen, prove the candidate's age and prove that the candidate meets the residency requirements for President of the United States as prescribed in article 2, section 1, Constitution of the United States."

The bill was first proposed by Republican Rep. Judy Burges

of Arizona Jan. 24. Other states have joined the proposal's momentum, and it is expected to reach Washington in a matter of months.

Contributing to the controversy is Democratic Governor of Hawaii Neil Abercrombie's recently discarded effort to find Obama's real birth certificate. Abercrombie swore to shake down the authentic birth certificate if he was elected into office. As of Jan. 18, all he had found were Hawaiian newspaper clippings for birth announcements and other unverifiable sources. If he had truly found the document in question, he would still not be allowed to publicly release it due to privacy laws. But he still has yet to find it.

Obama was more than likely born in Hawaii, making him a legal U.S. citizen and eligible for presidency. However, we cannot apply the legal policy of "innocent until proven guilty" in a case with such pressing importance. All of the secondary legal documents or even eye witness accounts mean absolutely nothing if the formal birth certificate document cannot be uncovered. Until then, as conspiracy-driven as it may sound, Obama's legality as our president is not solidly grounded.

Some say that the Arizona bill could give Obama trouble in the 2012 elections if his real birth certificate fails to present itself by then. But he has bigger problems to worry about than that. If the authentic birth certificate does appear and it indicates that Kenya is in fact his true motherland, he could face imprisonment for identity fraud and ineligibility for an elected position.

On the bright side, his health care reform bill will be much easier to repeal.

### CAMPUS TALK

#### What did you do to prepare for this winter storm?



"This weekend I went home and brought my coat and everything because I knew a big storm was coming. I had all my tests studied for hoping that I had them canceled."

McKenzie Stevens  
Dietetics



"I had my sister buy a bunch of food because she has Aladine, and just going to the library when it is open."

Tyler Stevens  
Mathematics



"I just grabbed sleds from home, warm clothing and got ready to have some fun."

Erin Hartwig  
Journalism



"I tried to buy a bunch of stuff at the Station so I wouldn't have to get out anymore, and you know, just try to stay warm and not get back out."

Jason Orndoff  
Business Education



"Well when I first heard about it I immediately came to the Station and bought all the necessary food items for that day. And I have a really heavy duty coat."

Jayde Moran  
Chemistry



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## Decades later, we see if things have changed

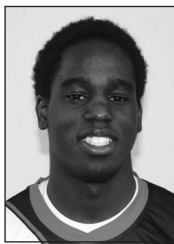
Oh yeah, it's finally here. The time a year when I can be proud to be black and have people feel sorry for me. That's what Black History Month is all about, right?

Did you know Black History Month actually started in 1926 as Negro History Week? And the motive was to teach African-Americans of their cultural background and provide them with a sense of pride?

For anyone who says that Black History Month is no longer needed, you're obviously wrong. There are clearly still some of us out there who struggle with knowing what it means to be black. Think of it this way: in 1926 a week was designated to informing and offering a sense of pride to blacks who didn't really know their culture.

Well, today that one week has turned into a whole month. So either African-American ideology hasn't changed, or it's gotten worse. That's the only plausible conclusion; some African-Americans just aren't proud to be black.

I know, I used to be one of them. I can remember in elementary school crying myself to sleep at night because kids would call me "Darkness", say that I was burnt like coal and that I was going to hell because my skin was black. And it was



Trey Williams  
News Editor

only thanks to one thing that I got through it and learned to love who I am. Yeah, I'm sure you know: I have my mother and father to thank, not the month of February.

Black History Month, in today's society, is as much about getting in touch with our heritage as Christmas is about Christianity, and not presents and Santa. Black pride and power shouldn't be something we need to be reminded of.

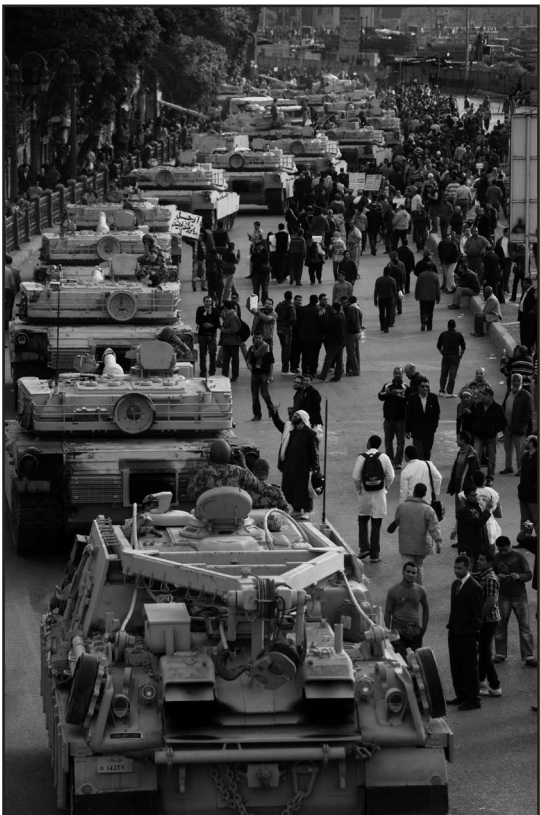
People always bring up the argument that Black History Month isn't necessary, that black history should be taught all-year round because it is a part of American history. But I see a flaw in that. There is no black history and American history, there is just American history.

Maybe I'm too progressive, but I think as long as there is still that blatant differentiating between black and white, American history and black history, it won't matter who our president is, how many Oscars Denzel wins or what Oprah does next because we will still be holding ourselves back. I feel that "celebrating" Black History Month is acting as a crutch more than anything, a way of clinging to a past that is already part of our present.

It should no longer be a matter of taking pride in your African-American roots and succeeding for those who fought for equality, but instead taking pride in yourself and succeeding for you. And the rest will take care of itself.

### IN OTHER NEWS

## In Egypt, the end of an unjust regime



CAROLYN COLE | MCT CAMPUS

Tanks rolled into the center of Cairo, Egypt where thousands of people gathered to call for the resignation of Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, Jan. 30.



KIMBERLY MITCHELL | MCT CAMPUS

Sam Kohaif, 65, of Dearborn, right, holds up a protest sign standing next to Fareed Shalhout, 18, of Detroit, left, during a rally in support of the Egyptian people and the overthrow of Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak at Dearborn City Hall Jan. 29.

In case you missed it, Egypt may soon have a new form of government. And it is certainly not coming peacefully.

The city of Cairo turned into a mass grounds for thousands of protestors, only to be met by Egyptian police squads, military troops and tanks. The sight must have been ironic to the protestors; military rule, police brutality, injustice and an oppressive

dictatorship is the reason they are revolting in the first place.

Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak had led for 30 tumultuous years when revolutionaries had enough and took to the streets for eight days, calling for democracy. Thousands ignored the government imposed curfew, while minor bouts and scuffles resulted in nearly 300 casualties so far.

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# WEATHER

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difficult part of it," Redden said. "Because you got to move it about ten times before it stays where you put it." Redden and his 20-man crew have worked day and night the past three days battling the storm, clearing sidewalks and University streets. "Talk about dedicated, these guys are sleeping on the floor in buildings that are freezing because they can't get home, but they're commit-

ted to making sure students can walk across campus," President John Jasinski said. "It's really, really inspiring, frankly. We can't take this for granted. These guys come in early in the morning way before they're supposed to get to work. They come back at night and then they stay over night." While the snow removal team worked to clear the snow and Jasinski's team monitored the weather, students sat up all night waiting for the text, email or notification that would make their day. "Some people would like

the decision to be made earlier, earlier and earlier and I don't think that's prudent for a lot of reasons," Jasinski said. "First of all the weather was so unsubtle that that can all change pretty quickly so we try to make that decision very early in the morning... It became pretty obvious that this is a once in a decade storm, so you got to be really smart." Although snow has ceased for now, temperatures will remain low and according to [www.mo.gov/winter-weather-guide](http://www.mo.gov/winter-weather-guide) people are recommended to bundle up and avoid driving if possible.

# WALTER

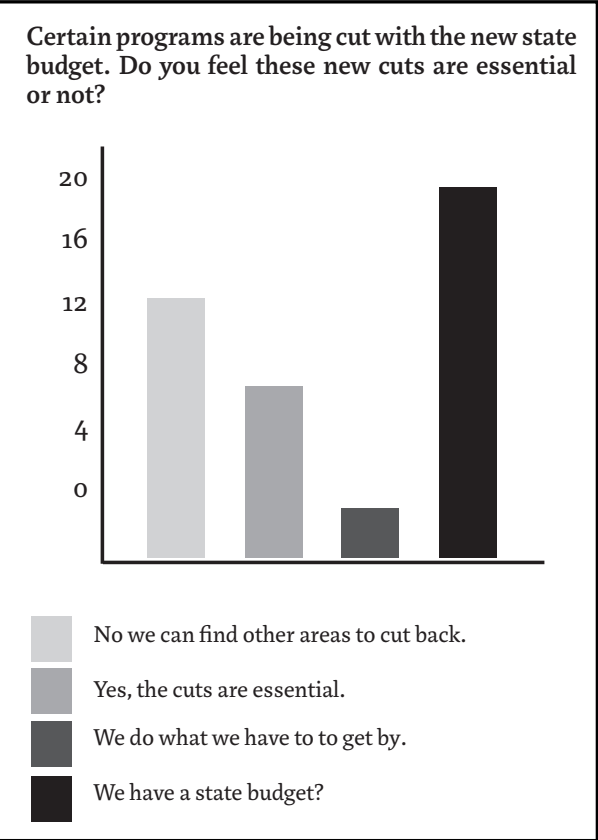
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Lorek sees Walter's season as a mirror image of her entire career. "The season she is having is reflective of her whole career here," Lorek said. "She came in as a walk-on and very average kind of marks coming out of high school. I'm really hard pressed to find anyone who has been more committed, or dedicated or worked harder than Kate Walter. She is really

the full package of what you want an athlete to be." Walter keeps her goals and thoughts simple: hit a personal record every time she goes out and throws. When she toes the line, she said she never has a cleared mind, but one that focuses on hitting her spots and technique soundly. "It's not a blank slate in my mind, but I just think 'easy throw, hit positions' and the marks will come," Walter said. "I don't really think, 'This is what I need,' I don't think too much... I just keep it simple.

"I try not to watch other people throw, because then it gets in my head. That would be the one mental aspect of me, I don't get in my own world but, I walk off and not pay attention to what the marks are." Unfortunately for Walter, her program record throw at the Mule Relays was not even caught on tape. Unable to see her record throw is only producing more motivation for the senior, who hopes to continue her streak of personal records, hopefully this time with the camera rolling.

Results from online poll



# PARTY

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of football, it's a game of luck," BSU member Taylor Hartong said. The party starts at 5 on Sunday at 4th and Mulberry. If you are looking for something a little closer to campus, Campus Crusade for Christ will host their Super Bowl party at 5 on Sunday in the University Ballroom, fully equipped with fun, food and board games. "We will have plenty of

food and enough space for all who want to attend," member Jordan Whitworth said. Cru will have plenty of games in the back for those not as interested in football as well as free food for students just looking for a place to hang out and meet with other students. Just west of campus, Maryville alumni will gather at the Country Club on Icon Road for the big game. Starting at 4:30 p.m. for \$5, adults can enjoy sandwiches and appetizers with alumni and friends while watching the game.

# CHARITY

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the family arrived at St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Spencer received a bone marrow transplant and cancer treatments that saved his life. This year, FOX Sports partnered with the hospital to help raise donations to help children like Spencer. Treating childhood cancer can take a toll on patients' wallets and bank accounts. Thanks to St. Jude's help, Spencer was able to receive his treatment and transplant without spending a dime. "They actually will pay for everything for treatment that a kid needs," Spencer Barr said. "They don't charge the family anything." In order to provide cost-free treatment, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital re-

lies on donations. After learning of this year's Super Bowl charity project, the Barr family was quick to jump in. "Any time we can support St. Jude, we try to," Rod Barr said. Spencer would not be the healthy seventeen year-old that he is today without the hospital's help. "I owe being here to them, so I have to help one way or another," Spencer said. While it may be too late to host a party or set up a website, donations will still be accepted through the Barr family's website at <http://www.stjudegiveback.org/d2football>. A link on the right-hand side of the page allows for donations. The Barr family hopes to raise \$2,500. "Anything will help," Spencer said. "You don't have to give a big donation. Every dollar will count."

# MIAA

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last week of the season. The other problem I have with the new schedules is strength of schedule. Strength of schedule is a huge factor when it comes playoff time. In 2012 and 2013, the Bearcats will play what should be the top 11 schools in the conference. Then in 2014-2015, Northwest loses two tough matchups and replaces them with the worst four football schools in the conference. I don't want to see the Bearcats lose out on the playoffs or a potential home playoff game because of a poor strength of schedule. One reason Northwest has been so successful in the playoffs is the home field advantage at Bearcat Stadium. In 2007, undefeated Grand Valley State was forced to come to Maryville and

play in the "Ice Bowl" due to a poorer strength of schedule. With a poorer strength of schedule Northwest would have gone to Allendale, Mich. Another example of strength of schedule coming back to bite a team happened this past season. Missouri Western got into the playoffs over a top 25 team in Midwestern State, due to a better strength of schedule. This all assumes the Bearcats will remain the conference power they are today, but minor growing pains aside, the 'Cats should remain at an elite level over the foreseeable future. We should hope the honorable Dr. Bob will learn the lessons over these next few years and change the schedule into something more suitable for the best football conference in the country. I also hope we don't have to have this conversation again when the new basketball schedules are announced.

# STEINS

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During Saturday's meet, half of the weight divisions were open to a lack of wrestlers. "It's a new experience for me," head coach Joe Drake said. "I have to prepare differently for a tournament or dual. We just need to get more kids out, fill in those open spots so we're not just giving out points." Twaddle faced off against Cameron's Tyler Daniel in the 152 lb. championship match. Twaddle was down 5-0 only 47 seconds into the

match. With 23 seconds left, Twaddle was pinned and finished in second place. Zech wrestled Bedford-Lenox's Cody Morris in the 160 pound championship round. Zech pushed through a bloody lip and had an opportunity to score in the last minute in the first period. He earned a take down but was reversed in the final seconds and pinned. Zech also brought home second place. Two wrestlers finished short of medaling to round out Maryville's finishers. The next meet for the Spoofhounds will be at 6:30 p.m. Saturday at Rockport against Rockport and Tarkio.

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# The Rose Theater

## Local entertainment arena shines light on productions

By Amanda Schulte-Smith  
Features Editor

The Rose Theater keeps quiet during the day but when the sun goes down and the stage lights turn on, sounds of talent and creativity come to life.

A hidden sanctum for hipsters and rock stars, The Rose Theater gives artistic masterminds a place to call home. The theater located on 3rd and Buchanan has given fans of the arts plenty of opportunities to practice their passion. Between their Open Mic Nights and numerous theatrical performances, The Rose has established itself as the place to go for local entertainment.

Owner Scott Lance said The Nodaway County Community Center wanted a place in Maryville for their performances. Meanwhile, pop-punk band The Victory Lap was looking for a good place to practice. Little did they know it would turn out to be a collaborative effort made into something extraordinary.

Nikki Hindman, manager of The Rose Theater and The Victory Lap, says that the arrangement made by Lance and The Victory Lap created the foundation for Maryville's local music scene.

"Our guitarist knew Scott through the Nodaway County Theatre and we needed a place to practice, so they decided to do a trade," Hindman said.

"The Victory Lap gets to practice there Thursday nights and as a trade we help them out with public-

ity by getting them concerts."

Through Hindman's help and the theater's hard work setting up performances and acting classes, The Rose Theater is slowly becoming Maryville's hot spot.

Entertainers looking to express their talent to Maryville jumped at the opportunity to play at The Rose after the closing of the Java Joint.

"Our first event was the Open Mic Night and we had got together a bunch of flyers and handed them out to campus and businesses announcing it," Hindman said.

"That sparked a little interest and then The Victory Lap had their opening show on Oct. 29th called the Halloween Bash and that blew it up."

With the success The Victory Lap brought to The Rose along with various other local acts, The Rose's popularity grew.

Answer Me Dancer, a local band, says that playing at the Rose was a great experience for them. The band's drummer, Derrick Evans, is a student at Northwest and says that playing at The Rose and hanging out with The Victory Lap is great for their band.

"There is such a raw energy when we play here, it was a lot of fun," Mitch Kilpatrick, lead guitarist said.

Between its current successes and hope for a continual productive future, The Rose continues to establish itself as a venue for northern Missouri, giving bands and listeners a place to go that is a little closer to home.



“There is such a raw energy when we play here, it was a lot of fun.”

Mitch Kilpatrick

Lead Guitarist -Answer Me Dancer



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TOP: AN ENDLESS Chaper vocalist, Caitlin Kinman and guitarist, Tim Miller, excite the audience with their performance.  
BOTTOM: ANSWER ME Dancer, long time friends, were given the chance to share their love of music with fans at The Rose Theater.



Check out more photos online!



# What's HOT

**Super Bowl XLV**  
Count on parties galore this Sunday as the Pittsburgh Steelers face the Green Bay Packers.

**Part II of Glee**  
Fans of the show have waited weeks for the return of Glee. Get ready for more singing, dancing and more Sue Sylvester this Sunday after the Super Bowl.

**School Cancellation**  
All the praying has paid off. Northwest officials finally gave in and closed campus for three days in a row. Improbable, yes. Impossible, apparently not.

# What's NOT

**Riots in Egypt**  
More than 2,400 Americans were stuck in the Cairo airport this week trying to flee the protest-ridden country, after riots broke out trying to put the current president out of power.

**SNL taking on "The Social Network"**  
On their latest episode, "Saturday Night Live" tried to make a funny by bringing all three Mark Zuckerberg characters on the show, unfortunately making it the first time the trio had met in person. Awkward.

# Statham's action movie mold needs to be broken


By Ben Lawson  
Missourian Reporter

"The Mechanic" can be easily described by the film's lead. No further description is needed after learning Jason Statham is the star of the film. It is clear the movie will be a recycled plotline full of explosions, car chases and a string of gunfights.

Arthur Bishop, played by Statham, is a suave hit man living a life of pleasure in New Orleans, La. He is completely content in his life of deception and over-paid hookers, until he is ordered to kill his mentor. Bishop completes the task unquestioningly believing he is doing the right thing, but he is left conflicted after the act. Meanwhile, his mentor's son Steve, played by Ben Foster, is a directionless individual looking for revenge and is determined to walk in his father's footsteps in becoming an assassin. With Bishop feeling guilty about Steve's father's death, he takes Steve as his apprentice.

But the plot gets lost somewhere throughout the movie. Most of the movie is an ultra-violent explosion of meaningless conflict. A large chunk of the film is spent on Steve's training to become an assassin which is pretty much one random fight after another. Steve's need for vengeance and Bishop's guilt get completely forgotten until the last 20 minutes of the film.

Statham's character puts an even bigger strain on this already fragile plot. The viewer would think someone who kills people for a living would grow detached from humanity. But Bishop has strong ties with his men-



Genre- Action, Drama, Thriller  
Release Date- January 28  
Director- Simon West  
Gross revenue- \$11,500,000

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Actors-  
Jason Statham  
Ben Foster  
Donald Sutherland

Lock, Stock and Two Smoking Barrels and Snatch?  
In The Mechanic Bishop claims he is a man that fixes problems but apparently he is not equipped to fix the catalog of problems in this movie.



## THE STROLLER

# Be weather smart: don't be a teenage driver

They say there's nothing new under the sun. By "they," I of course mean the Bible. Even the absence of the sun should come as no surprise, especially to folks in these parts. Yet every time meteorologists pull an Old Testament move and prophesy of a 12-inch dump, we race to HyVee and raid the shelves of milk, eggs and milk. And beer too, but there's nothing wrong with that.

The problem is, you people make these apocalypse-preparing runs after snow has already fallen,

sometimes after schools have closed. Do you know who's on the roads after they call off school? Students. Everyone else is smart enough to stay home and let nature take its toll on these teens practicing their mad rally-car racing skills through snow drifts. ("I'm like drifting legend Ken Block, bro! Watch me drift down Fourth Street in my mom's 1996 Accord.") Here's a tip: Watch the snowy demolition derby play out from the safety of your own home. Once the sound of crunching metal slows down to, say, 20-minute intervals, go ahead and start idling your car for 30 minutes. It's just the ozone.

Your patience has paid off. The roads are free, except for those pesky emergency response teams attending to all the previously mentioned accidents. Get in your warm car and drive with ease on the meticulously packed-down roads from those Jeff Gordon wannabes and stroll through the grocery aisles like you have time to spare.

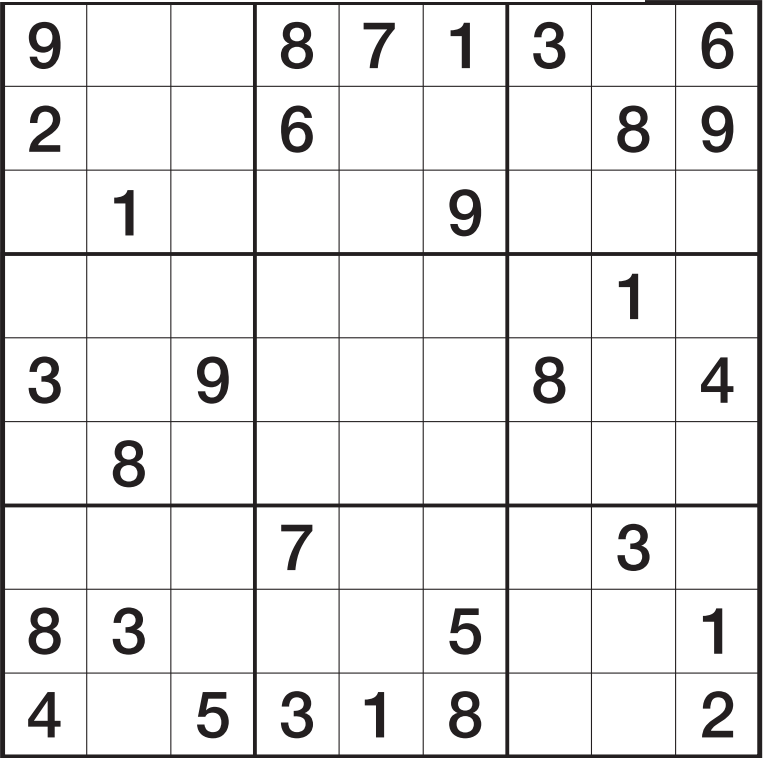
But take a look around while you stuff your cart with emergency items like off-brand Lucky Charms and Pabst Blue Ribbon. Calculate the average age of your fellow shoppers and you'll notice a peculiar absence of high schoolers. And when you get that knowing smirk and a wink from another dude with a cart full of pork steaks and Bud Light, you'll think of me.

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# SUDOKU

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# Small squad gives big effort

By Orlando Carrizales  
Missourian Reporter

Senior Will Twaddle, sophomore Jordan Zech, and sophomore Derek Stiens all took second during the annual Quad State Classic.

Sophomore Ben Wilmes faced Mt. Ayr's 130 pound wrestler, Shane Swake, in the third place match. The first round started as a physical stand up, but Swake quickly took down Wilmes and jumped out to a 7-0 lead. Wilmes was pinned by a cradle 30 seconds into the second period, placing fourth.

Stiens wrestled Cameron's Dakota Goll in the 140 lb. championship match. Stiens took a shot and went for the take down with 1:05 left in the period, was caught off guard and was pinned with 46 seconds left in the first period, finishing second.



KEVIN BIRDELL | CHIEF VISUAL JOURNALIST  
SOPHOMORE JORDAN ZECH rolls an opponent over his back at the Quad State Classic at Maryville High School on Saturday. Zech placed second in the 160-lb. weight class.

"I'll go back onto the mats. Coach will tell us what we did wrong," Stiens said. "We'll work at it. We'll

have to work on the little things. Those little things will make us better." The Spoofhounds have

struggled this past year more than years past.

SEE **STEINS** | A5

## Girls face tough upcoming Lady Warriors, weather

By Chris Schoonover  
Missourian Reporter

The Maryville Lady Spoofhounds are going on the road to take on the Smithville Lady Warriors Thursday, weather permitting.

Head coach Grant Hageman expects a tough conference game for the 'Hounds.

"They are really good getting the ball inside,"

said Hageman. "We need to limit their good looks."

The 'Hounds are 13-2 on the season heading into the heart of the conference play.

"We have yet to have a team shoot 40 percent against us," said Hageman. "But, we still need to shoot the ball better. We still haven't played at full strength this season due to injuries."

The senior led 'Hounds

have another problem to deal with and that is the weather. Due to the snow and ice that has ripped through the Maryville area, they have not been able to practice for a couple of days.

"I have a good group of girls with a lot of experience," Hageman said. "I expect them to come in a little bit of shape, but we got a lot of work in last week with four straight

days of practice."

The team has big aspirations for the rest of the season, but was tripped up last year against Savannah during a 15-game win streak. Hageman preached to the girls that they cannot get complacent during a stretch like this.

The 'Hounds play at 5:30 p.m. tonight at Smithville and take on Chillicothe at 5 p.m. next Tuesday at home.

# SPOOFHOUNDS

### G. BASKETBALL

#### MEC STANDINGS

	Overall	MEC
Maryville.....	12-2	1-0
Bishop LeBlond .	14-3	1-0
Smithville.....	15-4	1-0
Savannah .....	10-6	1-1
Benton .....	9-8	1-1
Cameron .....	9-8	0-1
Lafayette .....	5-12	0-1
Chillicothe.....	5-7	0-2

**Today:**  
MARYVILLE at Smithville

**Tuesday:**  
Chillicothe vs. MARYVILLE

### B. BASKETBALL

#### MEC STANDINGS

	Overall	MEC
Cameron .....	17-1	2-0
Lafayette .....	12-7	1-0
Maryville.....	11-6	1-1
Bishop LeBlond .	4-10	1-1
Smithville .....	12-5	0-0
Savannah .....	8-6	0-1
Benton .....	2-14	0-1
Chillicothe.....	3-12	0-2

**Friday:**  
Smithville vs. MARVILLE

**Tuesday:**  
MARYVILLE at Mid-Buchanan

### M. BASKETBALL

#### MIAA STANDINGS

	Overall	MIAA
Mo. Southern .	16-2	12-2
Fort Hays .....	17-3	11-3
Washburn.....	13-5	10-4
Pitt. State .....	12-6	8-6
Neb.-Omaha....	11-7	8-6
Emporia St. ....	11-9	8-6
Mo. Western....	9-9	7-6
Central Mo. ....	12-8	7-7
S.W. Baptist. ...	9-10	6-7
Truman .....	5-13	3-11
NORTHWEST .	5-13	3-11
Lincoln (Mo.) .	2-16	0-14

**Today:**  
Neb.-Omaha at NORTHWEST  
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#### MIAA STANDINGS

	Overall	MIAA
NORTHWEST..	15-3	11-3
Washburn .....	15-3	11-3
Emporia St. ....	13-5	10-4
Mo. Southern ...	11-7	9-5
Pitt. State .....	10-8	8-6
Mo. Western...	10-7	7-6
Central Mo. ....	11-9	7-7
Fort Hays.....	9-9	6-8
Truman .....	8-10	6-8
S.W. Baptist ....	7-10	4-9
Neb.-Omaha..	6-12	3-11
Lincoln (Mo.) .	2-16	1-13

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# ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

## BEARCATS

### Zane Myers



Zane Myers broke the school record in the heptathalon at the Mule Relays Saturday. Myers tallied 4,728 points, 14 points better than the previous mark.

### Kate Walter



Senior Kate Walter broke the 13-year school record for the weight-throw Saturday at the Mule Relays. Walter posted a throw at 58-feet-5.75-inches.

### Will Twaddle



Senior Will Twaddle placed second in the 152-lb. weight class at the Quad State Classic on Saturday held at Maryville High School.

### Jordan Zech



Sophomore Jordan Zech placed second in the 160-lb. weight class at the Quad State Classic on Saturday held at Maryville High School.

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SOPHOMORE GUARD DESHAUN COOPER drives the lane in Wednesday night's game in Bearcat Arena. The Bearcats lost the game 55-71. The 'Cats broke a six-game losing streak on Saturday against Fort Hays State.



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Upset ends losing skid

Cooper, Reinders hook up on final play to knock off ranked Tigers

By Jason Lawrence  
Asst. Sports Editor

All it took was one cut to the basket to end a six-game losing streak and give the Bearcats their first road win.

Junior forward Jake Reinders took a pass in the lane from sophomore point guard DeShaun Cooper and laid it in with one second left to give Northwest a 75-73 win over No. 7 Fort Hays State.

"It was actually designed to go against a man defense," head coach Ben McCollum said. "They went zone against us, so I tried calling a play that we have in against a zone that's pretty automatic. We kind of panicked, so then we just went with give the ball to DeShaun and get out of the way. A guy stepped to help and Jake Reinders was right there to make the layup."

The Bearcats trailed by three at halftime, 34-31, but committed only one turnover in the first half.

The game looked to be

out of hand after the Tigers jumped out to an 11-point lead with 13 minutes left in the game. Northwest cut the lead within the next nine minutes, taking a 62-61 lead with four minutes left on a bucket by senior forward Elijah Allen.

"We stayed positive and we stayed with the game plan," McCollum said. "In the past, we would have went away from what we were doing and panicked a little bit, or got afraid to lose. In this game, we played without that fear and just said, 'Hey, we're trying to spoil people's seasons and if you're in our way, hopefully we can do that to you.'"

Northwest took a three-point lead with 1:27 left to go on junior guard Kyle Haake's third 3-pointer in the final nine minutes. Fort Hays answered back and tied the game at 73 on a 3-pointer by senior guard Dominique Jones.

"(Haake) was open the whole game, he was just missing shots," McCollum said. "I knew eventually he was going to hit one. Once he hit one, I knew two was probably inevitable. The next time we called timeout and drew up a play for him and he hit his third one. He was big. He was big on the defensive end and big with his energy and effort."

The 'Cats called timeout with 20 seconds left and set up the game-winning play that gave Cooper his first career double-double with 17 points and 10 assists.

Jones scored a game-high 23 points, but three Bearcats finished in double figures. Allen and Haake both finished with 18 points in addition to Cooper.

Northwest is at home for its next two games. The 'Cats take on Nebraska-Omaha tonight at 7:30 p.m. at Bearcat Arena.

Pittsburg State comes to town Saturday. Tip-off is set for 3:30 p.m. at Bearcat Arena.

"Now it's a matter of if we can understand that just because you beat (Fort Hays) doesn't mean you have a better chance in the next game," McCollum said.

"It just depends on if we can handle adversity, because we're going to be down at some point in both games. Whether we say, 'Here we go again' or 'OK, lets go. Let's figure out a way to keep fighting and keep battling and make them beat us.' Hopefully we can do that."

Walter, Myers set program records at Mule Relays

By Tony Botts  
Sports Editor

Another weekend gone as marks continue to fall in the track and field record books.

This time it was senior thrower Kate Walter and junior heptathlon athlete Zane Myers leaving their marks atop the record boards.

Walter launched a throw of 58 feet, 5.75 inches at the Mule Relays, which was not only the best woman's weight-throw in program

history, but the nation's seventh best throw this season. Her throw was three feet farther than that of the past record holder, Julie Humphrey, which stood for the past 13 years.

"That was one that we were just kind of waiting for it to happen," head coach Scott Lorek said. "She's had some big throws in her and it finally just kind of came through."

Myers turned in a 4,728-point effort in the heptathlon, besting Jacob Dupin's

2009 mark by 14 points. Myer hit a NCAA provisional qualifying mark and currently sits seventh in the nation.

"He had a tremendous weekend, especially in the high jump. He PR'd by 5 inches, which is crazy," Lorek said.

Myers placed second at the weekend's meet.

Junior hurdler Tyler Shaw and freshman Ashli Mosby each brought home the 60-meter hurdles titles. Shaw was timed at 8.27s and

Mosby sprinted to a 8.96s finish, the second woman in program history to run a sub-9s race.

Shaw also captured the 200-meter dash title, running a time of 22.60s.

Both distance medleys, men and women, finished ahead of the pack, with times of 10:37.05 and 12:56.94. Overall, the Bearcats won six events in Warrensburg.

"Our throwers are starting to show some good things," Lorek said. "Our sprinters really got going."

CAMPUS SPORTS



Nathan Roach plays basketball with other GA's and head basketball coach Scott Bostwick on Tuesday morning in Bearcat Arena.

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### In other news

Senior cornerback Ryan Jones highlights D2football.com's 2010 All-American team released Tuesday. Jones was Northwest's lone first-team selection and the website's Defensive Player of the Year.

Jones recorded 56 tackles, six interceptions and blocked a kick in helping to lead the Bearcats to a 12-2 record and a sixth straight appearance in the Division II national semifinals.

Senior quarterback Blake Bolles, junior wide receiver Jake Soy, senior tight end Josh Baker and junior linebacker Chad Kilgore were all named to the honorable mention team.

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## MIAA growing pains

By Bryce Mereness  
Chief Sports Reporter

There is a lot of excitement brewing after the announcement that the MIAA will expand to 16 teams beginning in the 2012 season. With the expansion came new schedules. The football schedules for the next five years were announced last week.

Unfortunately with the expansion, there are too many teams to play everyone, leaving the door open for co-conference champions. This is unacceptable in my book.

In addition to not playing everyone in the conference, there is no opportunity to play anyone outside of the MIAA.

While I'm all for expansion because it creates a stronger and more diverse conference, there is an alternative to what has been placed before us. The Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference, a Conference in Super Region 1, also has 16 teams.

They play in a divisional format. The teams play everyone in their division and three crossover games, leaving room on the schedule for one non-conference game. The last week of the schedule is a floating crossover game with the two division champions facing off if needed to decide a conference championship.

I believe this format would work in the MIAA. Not only would it settle the championship on the field, but with the Fall Classic not necessarily in the plans long term, you could play the championship game at Arrowhead Stadium the

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# Never 'content'



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SENIOR KATE WALTER practices her weight throw Tuesday morning at Bearcat Arena. Walter currently has the seventh longest throw in the nation.

### Senior thrower evolves from walk-on to national competitor

By Tony Botts  
Sports Editor

She may not measure up to her competitors when it comes to physical stature, but break out the measuring tape and her weight-throws are out there with the best in the nation.

"It's kind of good, kind of a personal feat for me to be like 'Oh, they're 6'2" and 240 (pounds) easily and they're throwing just as far, if not less than me,'" senior thrower Kate Walter said.

Walter, a former walk-on, currently holds the seventh best throw in the nation, 58 feet, 5.75 inches after shattering the program record by 3 feet, formerly held by Julie Humphrey for the past 13 years.

Her recent feat came as no surprise to head coach Scott Lorek, who was expecting a big throw at any one of the upcoming meets.

"I wish I saw it," Lorek said. "She's had big throws like that sometimes in warm-ups or sometimes in practice and things like that. But, I think from Kate's standpoint it might almost be a relief than excitement, because it's like 'Ah, good I finally did it and now we're going to keep going.'"

Walter, who can be found in Lamkin Arena at 8 a.m. on a Monday when the rest of campus is asleep and in bed because of classes being canceled, attributes her results to her dedication to training.

So far this year, Walter has captured two first place finishes and a runner's up mark.

"I'm not content right now," Walter said. "I see the progressions I'm going through, but I'm ready to go to Nationals and throw big. Just each week, I'm trying to PR and trying to get a little up (on the competition)."

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SENIOR GUARD GABBY Curtis flies towards the hoop in Wednesday's victory over Washburn. Curtis tallied 15 points and added four assists in the 'Cats' 71-63 win.

## Streak ends with Fort Hays upset Saturday

By Bryce Mereness  
Chief Sports Reporter

Coming off two big wins, the Bearcats headed to Hays, Kan. Saturday trying to extend their 11-game winning streak.

Northwest built a 13-point lead at the halftime break, but let it slip away in the second half falling to Fort Hays State 84-78.

With the winning streak snapped, the 'Cats turn their focus to a visit from Nebraska-Omaha. The game was pushed back until 5:30 p.m. Thursday due to the inclement weather. Northwest will host Pittsburg State at 1:30 p.m. Saturday at Bearcat Arena.

The loss moves Northwest back into a tie with Washburn for the conference lead.

"I don't think you can look at (the conference championship race) until the last week of the season," head coach Gene Steinmeyer said. "That's for fans to look at. We just got to look at what's in front of us. I'm not sure we were caught up in all that anyway. We knew we were in first place and I don't think you can blame it on that. Rankings and all that stuff, that's for fans, all we have to worry about is UNO."

Fort Hays shot the lights out from behind the arc, shooting 15-for-25 on 3-point attempts. Hays guard Traci Keyser provided an offensive spark off the bench, chipping in a team-high 23 points, going 5-for-6 from 3-point land.

"It just happens sometimes," Steinmeyer said. "Our defense didn't have the energy it had for the Washburn and Emporia (games). The Washburn and Emporia games is the best defense we played all year. ... It's hard to maintain that game after game and at Hays, we just didn't have that energy."

Senior guard Gabby Curtis continues her torrid offensive pace, scoring 23 points to lead the team. Senior post Gentry Dietz added 20 to go with five rebounds.

Northwest maintained its halftime lead until the 10 minute mark of the second half when the offense went cold.

"At halftime I told my players that if in the first 10 minutes we could kind of maintain that lead, I think in the last 10 minutes we can really take control of the game," Steinmeyer said. "Well that was a lie it just flat out was... We hit the 10-minute mark and instead of them stopping scoring, they outscored us, and they outscored us by a lot. From the 10-minute mark until the end of the game, they outscored us by 18 points."

Fort Hays improves to 9-9 and 6-8 in MIAA play. Northwest drops to 15-3 and 11-3 in conference action.

"Maybe we were a little overconfident," Steinmeyer said. "We should have been riding high and couldn't wait to get back on the court to keep the string going."

### 2011 Football signees, transfers

NAME	POSITION	PREVIOUS SCHOOL
Jordan Akers	S	Lawson (Mo.)
Travis Blecher	OL	Rock Island (Ill.)
Brady Bolles	QB	Lincoln North Star (Neb.)
Colby Bowles	QB	Richmond (Mo.)
Darreus Caston	CB	Fort Dodge (Iowa)
Harold Coates	DL	Fort Scott C.C. (Kan.)
John Ernzen	OL	Pleasant Ridge (Kan.)
De'Aris Flint	WR	Park Hill (Mo.)
Kyle Goodburn	P	Shawnee Mission N. (Kan.)
Jacob Howeth	S	Highland Park (Texas)
Daniel Kempf	OL	Boonville (Mo.)
Zach Maloley	RB	Kearney (Neb.)
Brandon Mims	ATH	Antelope C.C. (Calif.)
Creighton Morris	TE	Lincoln North Star (Neb.)
Fred Ngwu	S	West Mesquite (Texas)
Tristan Patterson	DL	Rock Bridge (Mo.)
Preston Pederson	ATH	Central Decatur (Iowa)
Brock Sherman	LB	Crete (Neb.)
Jordan Sklba	S	Murray State (Ky.)
Shane Smith	OL	South Shelby (Mo.)
Josh Swanson	H-Back	Gering (Neb.)
Alex Taylor	RB	Center (Mo.)
Jaylyn Turner	OL	Winona (Texas)
Will Twaddle	DB	Maryville (Mo.)
Jaalen Watkins	RB	Robinson (Ark.)
Dominique Webb	ATH	Forest Park (Ga.)
Ryan Wheeler	DE	Millard North (Neb.)
Nate Wilson	CB	Park Hill (Mo.)
Brandon Yost	DL	Millard West (Neb.)